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## BANKS.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,300,000 Dollars.

#### COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. Deputy Chairman—Hon. W. KESWICK, Esq. E. R. BEILIOS, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. L. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. A. McIVER, Esq.

#### CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

## HONGKONG.

### INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

## NOTICE.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

THE AGENCY of this BANK at Foochow will be CLOSED and WITHDRAWN from 1st July next.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS and FIXED DEPOSIT RECEIPTS will be PAID here AT ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or transferred to this Branch at the Exchange of the Day at the option of Constituents.

GEO. O. SCOTT, p. Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

### COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000. RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGÈRE, PARIS.

#### AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW.

#### LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Banks.

### CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

### RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

#### ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

## Entertainment.

### THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

### THIS EVENING, JULY 30th, 1879.

### FAREWELL BENEFIT OF MISS CLARA STANLEY.

Under the Distinguished Patronage and Presence of HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL DONOVAN, Commanding the TROOPS IN CHINA AND JAPAN, and LIEUT. COLONEL GEDDES and OFFICERS 27th (LINNISKILLINGS) REGT., When will be produced: DONIZETTI'S "DAUGHTER OF THE REGIMENT."

### MISS CLARA STANLEY AS "MARIE."

#### CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Tonio.....MISS AGNES DRÄGER. Sergeant Sulpho.....MR C. CLAREMONT. Hortensius.....MR J. ROLLINGS. Corporal.....MR EVERARD. Duke de Grandtete.....MISS MORTON. Duchesse.....MISS MORTON. Marchioness de.....MISS BERTHA HOCTER. Bergenfeld.....MISS CLARA STANLEY.

By Kind Permission of COLONEL GEDDES and the OFFICERS of the 27th LINNISKILLINGS, the BAND will perform the following Selections during the evening:—

Overture...{ Daughter of the Regiment } DONIZETTI.

Selection.....Fiedermaus.....STRAUSS.

Between the First and Second Acts HERE WERNER will perform a

CLARINETTE SOLO FANTASIA, Ma Normandie.....LAZARUS.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Dress Circle or Orchestra

Stalls.....TWO DOLLARS. Pit.....ONE DOLLAR.

Doors Open at half-past 8; Performance to Commence at 9 o'clock p.m. sharp.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at Messrs KRUZE & Co.'s, where a Plan of the Theatre may be seen.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted.

JOHN ROLLINGS, Business Manager.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879. jy31

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

## For Sale.

### KELLY & WALSH, QUEEN'S ROAD.

(Next door to the Exchange).

ARE now showing a LARGE VARIETY of

New LADIES' NOTE PAPERS & ENVELOPES.

New SHEET MUSIC.

BOOSEY'S CABINETS.

MASON & HAMLIN'S ORGANS.

PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.

SCRAP BOOKS.

INKSTANDS.

LEATHER BLOTTER BOOKS.

New STOVE ORNAMENTS.

MENU CARDS.

PLAYING CARDS. BEZIQUE.

LETTER CASES. CARD CASES.

PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.

POCKET SLATES.

WINSOR & NEWTON'S DRAWING MATERIALS.

New CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS.

Their Celebrated TOBACCOS, CIGARS and CIGARETTES.

Hongkong, July 7, 1879. au1

### SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

OUR Annual SALE of SURPLUS Summer STOCK will Commence on MONDAY, July 21st, and be Continued for FOURTEEN DAYS only.

This Great SALE will be carried out on the system which gave so much satisfaction last year. All GOODS will be marked in Plain Figures, in Blue, from which no reduction Can or will be Made. The SALE will positively Close on MONDAY, August 4th, after which date No GOODS will be SOLD at the Extreme Low Prices marked for this Sale.

We shall offer—

FANCY SILKS.

GLACE SILKS.

GROS GRAIN SILKS.

JAPANESE POPLINS.

GRENADE DRESS GOODS, White and Colored MUSLIN DRESS GOODS, HOLLANDS, LAWNS, GINGHAMS, PRINTS at Greatly Reduced Prices.

COTTON and THREAD ROSE HAND-KECHIEFS, COLLARS and CUFFS, LACES and LACE GOODS, All Very Cheap.

BABY LINEN and LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING, at Greatly Reduced Prices.

Several Thousand Yards USEFUL REMNANTS, comprising: PRINTS, CALICOES, FLANNELS, HOLLANDS, &c., &c., &c., Ridiculously Low Prices.

A Few Baskets RIBBON REMNANTS, Marked Exceedingly Cheap.

A Splendid CALICO will be SOLD at 13 Cents, a very Superior Summer GAUZE FLANNEL at 45 Cents, and Fine French HOLLANDS for WASHING DRESSES at 25 Cents per Yard.

DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY will be Continued as Usual during the SALE.

SAYLE & Co.,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

Hongkong, July 18, 1879. au1

## FOR SALE.

THE GOODWILL, LEASE, FURNITURE and FIXTURES OF

THE CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI—CHINA.

THIS HOTEL, which is furnished throughout in a very Superior Manner, has been in operation for upwards of 34 Years, and affords an Excellent Opportunity for an Energetic Man, or a Married Couple, to secure a Competency in a few Years.

Terms, and full Particulars, can be obtained upon application to

HALL & HOLTZ, Shanghai.

July 21, 1879. au21

## FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned offers for SALE at moderate Prices, an Invoice of

PRESERVED MEATS from the SYDNEY PRESERVED MEAT COMPANY,

comprising: Boiled Beef and Mutton, Corned Beef and Soup and Bouillie in 6-lb. Tins, Ox-tongues, Spiced, Corned and Seasoned Beef, Roast and Corned Mutton, Sheep-tongues, Real Turtle Soup, Assorted Soups, Sheep's-head, Compressed Meats, Brawn and Ox-tongues, etc., in 2-lb. Tins.

And,

A Small Invoice of Superior Red and White AUSTRALIAN GROWN WINE, viz: MURRAY VALLEY and WYNDHAM WINES, comprising: Tokay, Vordillo, Muscat, Claret, Madelra, Sheraz, Reising Burgundy, Hermitage, Pineau in Quarts and Pints.

Also, (From Bordeaux), CHATEAU DE FRAUDS, a Superior Breakfast Claret at \$5 per Case. A few Cases of LAFITTE.

G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, July 17, 1879.

## FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

## Intimations.

### THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DIVIDEND of \$2.50 PER SHARE declared at the Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS Held To-day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after the 10th Proximo. SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply at the SECRETARY'S Office for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879. jy31

### CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be Held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 31st Instant, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring dividends. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 8, 1879. jy31

### HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

VOLUNTEERS are earnestly requested to ENROLL themselves on the LIST of the above named Society, as the TYPOO SEASON is at hand, and more Working Members are necessary.

Kindly send Name and Address to the HONORARY SECRETARY.

Blue Serge Shirt, Helmet, and Life Belt supplied Free of Charge.

P. H. EMANUEL, Hon. Secretary, Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, July 2, 1879. au2

### TAKASIMA MINE.

#### NOTICE.

MR. NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKE has been appointed my Sole AGENT for the sale of all COAL produced from the TAKASIMA MINES, and all Purchases of such Coal must be made through him and his representatives on and after the 16th Instant.

GOTO SHOJIRO.

Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

ON and After the 16th Instant, my Representatives for the SALE of all COAL produced from the Takasima Mines will be

At Nagasaki, MR. RYLE HOLME.

At China Ports, Hongkong and Elsewhere, MESSRS JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Or their Agents.

NAKAHARA KUNINOZUKE.

Nagasaki, June 13, 1879.

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS in MARINE HOUSE, Queen's Road Central, are Open Daily for the use of MEMBERS from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Special Days—TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, from 12 to 12.30 and 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Applications for admission as Members to be addressed to

E. GEORGE, Secretary.

Hongkong, June 18, 1879.

### HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1878, and THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF 1879.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the Year ending December 31st 1878, and for the SIX MONTHS from January 1st to June 30th 1879; in Order that the DISTRIBUTION of the Portion of PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to October 31st next, will be adjusted by the Company and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 24, 1879. oc31

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for Hongkong and China for the Sale of their LEAD by the MECHERICH MINING SOCIETY.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, June 27, 1879. se27

## NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1879.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

#### PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co.

THE Authority to Sign Bills of Lading by this COMPANY'S STEAMERS, granted to Mr. J. J. HOWARD, is hereby revoked, and Mr. C. L. GORHAM is authorized to Sign until further notice.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 10, 1879.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has established himself at the Premises formerly occupied by LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's Wharf, as AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER AND COMMISSION AGENT.

ALL GOODS entrusted for SALE will be fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW. The Steamship "NAMO," Capt. WESTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 31st Inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, July 28, 1879. jy31

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. The Spanish Steamer "EMUY," Capt. BLANCO, shortly expected, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, July 28, 1879.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The British Steamer "SUNBEAM," will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 28, 1879.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship "GLENIFFER," Capt. GRAHAM, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.



## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
STEAMER *CELTIC MONARCH*,  
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.

THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by Messrs Norton & Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 2nd August A.C. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Consignees are also informed that, before delivery can be obtained, they will be required to sign the Average Bond and to give Approved Guarantee for Contribution to General Average.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 23, 1879. j31

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

S. S. *BOKHARA*.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel from London, Bombay and Intermediate Ports and in connection with the *Australia* from London, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 2nd August will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation to the contrary be received before Noon To-morrow.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879. au2

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP *AGNES MUIR*,  
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 26, 1879. au3

FROM LONDON & PORTS OF CALL.

THE Brit. S.S. *Sunbeam* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 4th August will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 28, 1879. au4

## NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE  
CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I.  
and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal  
8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EYRE,  
Ph.D. Tübingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS  
AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD  
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs  
KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour:—

*CELEA*, British 3-m. schooner, Captain  
Drew.—Douglas, Laprak & Co.

*BEETHOVEN*, German barque, Captain R.  
Haje.—Melchers & Co.

*GUSTAV*, German barque, Captain J.  
Raben.—Landstein & Co.

*AGNES MUIR*, British ship, Capt. James  
Lowe.—Meyer & Co.

*SAINT MARK*, British steamer, Captain  
Johnson.—Meyer & Co.

*OLAN ALPINE*, British steamer, Captain  
W. J. Rule.—Captain.

## To-day's Advertisements.



STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-  
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-  
AMPTON, AND LONDON;

ALSO,

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND  
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
*KAISAR-I-HIND*, Captain R. METHERY,  
will leave this on TUESDAY, the 12th  
August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879. au12

## To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 3%  
or \$2.25 PER SHARE, declared at  
the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of  
SHAREHOLDERS held YESTERDAY, will  
be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Bank on and after TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),  
the 31st Instant.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply at  
the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
P. A. DA COSTA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo  
are requested to send in their Bills of  
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-  
signature, and take immediate delivery.  
This Cargo has been landed and stored at  
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtze.  
AME (in diamond) Nos. 16/17, Or., 20 cases  
T. J. Flannel, from London.

Ex Amazona.  
S C Ghee Soon Tye, 203 bales Cotton, from  
Singapore.

Ex Anadyr.  
C (in diamond) 47/96 48 cases Sheet Lead,  
Amoy, Order, from London.

Mr Charles Bonnet, 1 case Shirts, &c.,  
from Marseilles.

B & C (in diamond) Order, 150 bales Cot-  
ton, from Madras.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

July 30, 4 a.m., *Chinkiang*, British str.,  
799, S. M. Orr, Shanghai July 26, 8 a.m.,  
General.—SIMPSON & Co.

July 30, *Atlanta*, German steamer, 782,  
Peterson, Haiphong July 27, and Hoibow  
29, General.—MEYER & Co.—[In quaran-  
tine.]

July 30, *Floral Star*, British 3-masted  
schooner, 244, G. W. Davison, Batavia  
July 11, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

July 30, *Canton*, for Bangkok.  
30, Taiwan, for Foochow.

30, *Chop-chung*, Chinese gunboat, for  
Fu-tau-chow.

30, *Osama*, for Chefoo.

30, *Chinkiang*, for Canton.

## CLEARED.

*Celia*, for Foochow.

*Namoa* for Coast Ports.

*Johann Friedrich*, for Tientsin.

*Helene*, for Hamburg.

*Yotting*, for Swatow.

*Bellona*, for Yokohama.

*Jacobine*, for Newchwang.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per *Chinkiang*, from Shanghai, Messrs  
Campbell, and Bulsonne, and 50 Chinese.

Per *Atlanta*, from Hoibow, &c., 56 Chi-  
nese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Chinkiang* reports:  
Left Shanghai at 3 a.m. on the 26th inst.,  
and experienced strong winds and head sea  
to the Taihows. From thence to port  
light variables and fine weather. On the  
28th, spoke S. S. *Nimpo* at 6.50 p.m., 9  
miles North of Chapel Island.

## CARGO.

Per S. S. *Teaser*, Hongkong to London,  
sailed 29th July, 1879.—27,108 lbs. Con-  
gon, 64,170 lbs. Sc. Caper, 38,724 lbs. Sc.  
Or Pekoe, and 12,600 lbs. Sorts—total  
142,602 lbs.; 210 bales Waste Silk, and 25  
pkgs. Silk Piece Goods.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCOW.—  
Per *Namoa*, at 9.30 a.m., on Thursday,  
the 31st inst.

For SWATOW.—  
Per *Yotting*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the  
31st inst., instead of as previously  
notified.

For YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.—  
Per *Celtic Monarch*, at 11.30 a.m., on  
Friday, the 1st August, instead of as  
previously notified.

For BANGKOK.—  
Per *Rajanattumhar*, at 4.30 p.m., on  
Saturday, the 2nd August.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.  
The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic* will  
be despatched on FRIDAY, the 1st  
August, with Mails for Amoy, Japan,  
San Francisco, the United States,  
Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c. which  
will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),  
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay  
cannot be sent by this route.

Hongkong, July 24, 1879. au1

## MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Kaisar-i-Hind*  
will be despatched on TUESDAY,  
the 12th August, with Mails to and  
through the United Kingdom and  
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;  
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,  
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,  
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the  
*Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,*  
nor for Mauritius.

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Amazona*, will  
be despatched on TUESDAY, the  
6th August, with Mails to and  
through the United Kingdom and  
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits  
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,  
India (via Madras), Australia, New  
Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-  
chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez,  
and Alexandria. This is the best  
opportunity for forwarding Corre-  
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,  
St. Helena, and Ascension.

The usual hours will be observed in closing  
the Mails, &c.

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *City of*  
*Tokio*, will be despatched on FRI-  
DAY, the 16th August, with Mails  
for Japan, San Francisco, the United  
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c.  
which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),  
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay  
cannot be sent by this route.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879. au15

## HOURS OF CLOSING.

## THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing  
Mails, &c., by both the British and  
French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.  
5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post  
Office closes except the Night Box,  
which remains open all night.

Day of departure.  
1 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters closes.  
Posting of all printed matter and  
patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late  
Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with  
Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted  
on board the packet with Late Fee of  
18 cents until time of departure.

## Quotations.

HONGKONG, July 30, 1879.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash...\$642½ a 645

" Old " cash... 602½ a 605

" New Bunker, cash... 602½ a 605

" Old " cash... 602½ a 605

" New Bunker, credit, 750

" Allowance Teals, 6/12

" Old Bunker, credit, 775

" Allowance Teals, 6

## Exchange.

Bank, Wire... 3/7½

" Demand... 3/7½

" 30 days' sight... 3/8

" 4 months' sight... 3/8½

Credit, 4 " 3/8½

Documentary, 4 months' sight, 3/8½

India, Wire... 221

" demand... 221½

Shanghai, demand... 72½

" 30 days' sight... 73

Gold Leaf, 99½ fine... 27/50

Sovereigns... 5/38

## Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 53 ½ prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,300

China Traders Ins. Co., \$1,500

North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,250

Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 710

Chinese Insurance Co., \$280

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$735

China Fire Ins. Co., \$175

H.K. & W. Dock Co., 4 ½ prem.

H.K. & M. S. Boat Co., \$5 dis.

Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 11

China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 90

Hongkong Gas Co., \$70

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65

China Sugar Refining Co., \$137½

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874, nominal.

Do. of 1877, do.

## Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises,  
Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, July 30, 1879.

BAROMETER—9 a.m.... 29.832

Do. 1 p.m.... 29.790

Do. 4 p.m.... 29.744

THERMOMETER—9 a.m.... 86

Do. 1 p.m.... 86

Do. 4 p.m.... 87

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 a.m. 84

Do. Do. 1 p.m. 84

Do. Do. 4 p.m. 84

Do. Maximum... 88½

Do. Minimum over night 80

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, August 1:—  
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s  
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San  
Francisco.

SATURDAY, August 2:—  
Goods per *Bokhara* not delivered this  
date subject to rent.

Goods per *Celtic Monarch* undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.

9 p.m.—Meeting of St. John Lodge, No.  
618 S. C.

MONDAY, August 4:—  
Goods per *Sunbeam* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, August 5:—  
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of  
Call and Europe.

TUESDAY, August 12:—  
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports  
of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, August 15:—  
3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-  
hama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

10 a.m.—*Namoa* leaves for Coast Ports.

## Meeting.

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of  
the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.,  
at the Head Office, Hongkong.

## Miscellaneous.

Dividend of 3% on Shares of H. O. &  
M. Steamboat Co. payable at H. & S.  
Bank.

## THE

## HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

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AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT  
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Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,  
Gingerale, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla  
Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and  
continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

## BIRTH.

At Hongkong, on the 30th instant, the  
Wife of SURGEON MAJOR MURRAY, of a  
Son.

The publication of this issue commences  
at 7.45 p.m.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 1879.

In dealing with the troublesome question  
of Public Gambling, it is desirable that  
every enactment in force on the subject  
should be made available for the sup-  
pression of this almost ineradicable vice.  
We presume that it will form a part of  
the duty of the Commission now sitting  
to overhaul the various statutes bearing  
on this difficult subject; and although it  
is not an easy matter to discover what  
laws or portions of laws are in force and  
what have been repealed, still the com-  
bined intelligence and sh



## SUPREME COURT.

IN PROBATE.  
(Before the Full Court.)  
Wednesday, July 30th.

The two cases connected with the administration of the estate of the late Mr. G. U. Sands, were again before the Court today. It will be remembered that Mrs. Sands brought an administration suit against Mr. W. H. Forbes, the co-executor for account; and it was referred to Mr. Baillie, the deputy accountant, to report. This report was examined and approved by Mr. Justice Francis. Mr. Hayllar who, instructed by Mr. Johnson of Slings, Toller and Johnson, appeared for Mr. Forbes, sought to amend that report in various particulars. At first he contended that it was not a perfected report, the reporter not having proceeded with some further questions which the Court had directed him to enquire into, as to the sale of the steamship which had been purchased by Mr. Forbes, and the present position of all parties towards which was one of the chief points of the case.

The Chief Justice said that it was the ordinary practice in England for a referee to report up to a certain point, his report raising certain questions which it would be for the Court to determine before giving further instructions.

Mr. Hayllar then contended that of all the questions raised in the report all were immaterial to him save two, a and f, which really raised the whole of the questions between the parties in both of the suits, Mrs. Sands' suit against the co-executor and the Chartered Bank v. Mr. Forbes. He was about to enter into one of these at some length, to prove that the executor for whom he appeared had exercised throughout the whole of this business a reasonable degree of skill, care and attention and that he had done nothing which a reasonable man would not do; and had omitted nothing which a reasonable man would have done, which course, he quoted authorities to show, was the converse of negligence.

The Chief Justice said it would be better to proceed in the regular way. The report would be read through, paragraph by paragraph, and it would be for Mr. Hayllar to object to its terms.

This was then done, and as there are between 60 and 70 paragraphs in the report, occupied some time. A few amendments or additions were made on the terms of the report, principally of a technical nature.

The Chief Justice in the course of conversation, remarked that this was one of those unhappy and unfortunate cases we occasionally meet. In this matter it was very right to say that he did not blame Mr. Forbes.

He thought it was very likely if he had been in the same position he would have done precisely the same as Mr. Forbes had done. As executor he had desired of course to do the best he could for the estate, and he (his Lordship) might probably have done precisely what he had done. Perhaps, with the experience he had now, he would have gone to the Court for consent; but had this experience not taught him how carefully such things had to be done to be in accordance with the strict letter of the law, he, with his great legal learning, or little as the case may be, was just as liable as Mr. Forbes or any one else to do as he had done. We all desired to do our best for our estate we had to deal with; and there was no doubt Mr. Forbes had been actuated by a right spirit throughout. It was only right that this should go forth at an early stage of a case like this; it was due to Mr. Forbes. The case was an intricate and unpleasant one to deal with, but if all parties would just put their shoulder to the wheel he had no doubt they would succeed in getting the cart out of the rut. Each party would have to make some concessions. Mr. Forbes had acted with *vera fides* and put himself out of the way to do the best for the estate. They, however, as Judges could only deal with the question in its dry legal aspect, and he would be much better pleased if it could be disposed of by mutual amicable agreement amongst the parties themselves, and by means of mutual concessions. His Lordship then referred to a case which some poor wretches (he did not know what became of them), had taken to the House of Lords (Vays v. Foster), where a man who had been executor and gave the charge that was left him much time, attention, skill, and care, found that all was thrown away; he was dragged through the Courts and at length he found he was to be allowed to take the villa he had built on the property to improve its value—if he paid all the costs.

Mr. Russell, who, instructed by Mr. Brereton, appeared for Mrs. Sands, said his side were willing to give the co-executor the *Zephyr* at his paying all costs.

His Lordship said this was a liberal offer at the present time and would save them going to the House of Lords. Mr. Francis had suggested that they might give them the *Zephyr* at cost price; that was taking off the \$6,000 which it cost to put her in her present condition.

Mr. Russell, after some further conversation, said he would be quite ready to consider any suggestion the Court might make.

Mr. Hayllar, for his client, was equally willing.

The Chief Justice at first said the parties were too far at sea and away from one another to allow of the Court making any suggestion just yet; they would have to be teased somewhat more by the storms of legal procedure before the Court could take them in hand.

Mr. Russell submitted that every point was embodied in the report before the Court.

By consent, a report by Mr. Arnold, produced by Mr. Hayllar, an admirable report he said, was also admitted in evidence.

The Court, after consultation, suggested that both parties might name a suitable gentleman of commercial experience some merchant of whom they both approved to sit with the Court as assessor and go through the whole case. It would be the best thing for all parties were a fair, honourable and reasonable arrangement come to between them on such a basis as he and Mr. Francis, with the assistance of such a gentleman could give them, would be able to suggest. He might tell both parties now that he did not think the case was one which should be decided strictly according to law. His mind would be very greatly relieved if he saw any way to prevent extended litigation and great loss.

Mr. Russell suggested the name of one of the leading merchants of Hongkong, which Mr. Russell at once accepted, both thanking the Court for the suggestion.

The Chief Justice said it would be well first to refer to their respective clients.

His Lordship said, in reply to the Attorney General, that the whole case would of course be taken up in this way; they could not deal with a part of it only; they could not take up the question of the *Zephyr* alone; they would deal with the case of the Bank as well. He expected the parties to be ready to make mutual concessions. Even the Bank, he believed, would not be unwilling to do something of the sort.

Mr. Hayllar said he was doubtful of this. Banks were not, as a rule, very ready to make concessions.

His Lordship said Banks were wise enough to be always willing to avoid lengthened litigation. He believed the Bank would not be unwilling to yield to some extent in the matter of the heavy interest.

The case was then adjourned to Chambers.

## Police Intelligence.

(Before Hon. C. B. Plunket.)  
Wednesday, July 30th.

THE TAIWAN MURDER CASE.  
This case, remanded from the 23rd inst., was again brought on to-day.

The prisoners, Le Pak Wong and Le Ayeung, in Court.

Inspector Cameron in charge of the case, put in a plan, made by P.C. 37, Richard Braun, of the district, where the murder was supposed to have been committed.

P.C. R. Braun, was sworn and stated:—The plan now in Court, marked "exhibit A" was partly taken from Captain Belchers' Survey, the remainder, shewing points marked I, II and III, with roads, and other points shewing where the umbrellas, queue, and scalp were found, are from instructions received from P.C. Butlin and from my personal observation of the district. From the top of the path to position I, there is a natural fall of about twenty feet extending along the pathway for some yards.

Tsang King Yau, stated:—I am a son of the deceased, Tsang Asan, (nicknamed "Tan Fu San"), by his first wife, who has been dead for a long time. I live in Canton and am a dealer in stones; it was my custom to assist my father in his business. My father resided in Tai Wan in British Kowloon, with my step-mother, Lam Akeu. The last time I saw him alive was on July 4th. I accompanied him on board the steamer *Ichang*. I know that my father had at that time a large sum of money packed up in a pillow box. I saw him receive money from six different shops, in payment for two junk-loads of stone. He arrived in Canton on the evening of June 21st; one of the junks had landed at 21st; a day previous to his arrival; the other one came two days afterwards. The junk had a cargo of granite slabs, and was lying at the western port. My father, on his arrival, lodged in the house where I was living, and stayed there until the day of his departure for Hongkong. During his stay in Canton he sold both junk-loads of stones. I estimate roughly that they were sold for about \$15,200. The greater part of that sum was paid in ready money. I was with my father in two shops where he dealt, and saw him receive money; they were the Chong Hing and Wo Shing shops. In the first shop he received over \$15,300, consisting of dollars and broken silver; in the second, more than \$15,200. I do not know if my father paid any money away during his stay in Canton, with the exception of five marks of silver which he gave to me for petty expenses. He had luggage when he went on board the *Ichang*—a pillow box, umbrella, wallet, mat, measure and scale, and a piece of cloth about ten feet long. In the pillow box was a piece of cloth similar to that now in Court, and a sum of money in dollars and broken silver. I saw this money in the box the night before my father left Canton. I had asked him how much money he had, when he said,—"About \$15,200 in silver." I saw nothing else in the box; the greater portion of the money was done up in rolls of dollars; about \$10 were loose. I carried the box down to the steamer; it felt heavy as if it contained money. After my father left Canton I never saw him again, dead or alive. I do not know either of the prisoners at the bar. I can read a little of the Chinese character, and can recognise my father's writing. (Witness shewn a piece of coarse paper with writing on it marked "exhibit C.") I read these characters—"Thirty dollars total weight." This is my father's writing. I saw him write it in the Chong Hing shop, when receiving payment for goods sold to that firm. I identified the knife (marked "D") now shewn me, as belonging to my father. I saw it in his possession during his last visit to Canton. I had seen him with it when he was on a previous visit to Canton, about two months before.

Cross-examined by Mr. Dennis—How do you know the knife? You have not examined it closely.

Witness: I can only recognise it by its size and shape. I mean that the knife is similar to the one my father had.

Chan Ahong, master of a stone-mason's shop in Canton, said:—I was well acquainted with the deceased and have often transacted business with him. On the 3rd of the present month I paid him twenty-seven taels (produces receipt for the same) for some stones I had bought from him. I do not know deceased's writing as I did not see him write the bill.

Lau Asui, P.C. 250, states:—I am stationed at Hong Hing. In consequence of a report made, I accompanied P.C. Butlin, and found the first witness Lam Akum, at the bottom of the ravine; she was crying. The piece of rust-colored cloth was lying on the ground, also a wallet, umbrella, a pair of shoes, and the fragments of a pillow box, a Chinese padlock, and a one-foot measure. The things were lying close together, and were wet. On searching the wallet I found a scale and some papers.

He then went further down the ravine. I followed and saw him pick up a man's queue with a piece of scalp close to it, also a mat. The things were then left where we had found the queue. We went farther on and discovered a newly-made grave. We did not then open it, but returned to Hong Hing, taking the whole of the things with us. In company with a European Sergeant and two coolies carrying a dead box, I returned to the grave, which was then dug up. A dead body was found there, tied up in a mat. On opening the mat the bowels of a deceased came out, through stabs in his abdomen. There was no queue on the head of the body. The woman, Lam Akum, and her companion were called, and after carefully examining the face of the body, said it was that of

Chun Asan. The body was much decomposed but was recognisable. It was then put in a box and taken to Yow-ma-ti. I was not present at the inquest. On the 12th instant I went to the Kowloon City and saw a man who was cook in an Opium Shop, and had a conversation with him, in consequence of which I returned to Hong Hing that evening. After making a report, I was taken by P.C. Butlin to Yow-ma-ti. Tsang Ahook, a private informer, was with us. On the 13th instant, by instructions of Inspector Cameron, I went to Sam-sui-po, and arrested the first defendant. He was sitting on a long bench by the side of a gambling table; he was gambling. I knew the prisoner. When he saw me he jumped up and went away. I was dressed in plain clothes; I followed him until I saw him enter a stone-cutter's house. I was accompanied by the informer, who was left to look after the prisoner, while I went to speak with the Chinese Military officer. From him I obtained two soldiers and returned to the stone-cutter's house. There were thirty or forty men there. Prisoner was sitting down in a corner of the doorway. I pointed him out to the soldiers and said:—"That is the man." Prisoner then said:—"What do you arrest me for?" I said:—"You know what you have done." He answered:—"It is not only myself." Then I told him I would say no more to him. We took him back to the Military Station, when I charged him with highway robbery and murder at Hongkong. Prisoner said nothing at the time. The soldiers searched him; took a purse from his waist, some cash, a shoe-born, a matchbox, penknife and a tiger's tooth. He was then secured by Acham on his wrists and neck. And afterwards taken to Kowloon City. I returned at once to Yow-ma-ti, taking with me the knife and tiger's tooth. Myself, P.C. Butlin and Inspector Cameron went to the house of the first prisoner at Tai Wan and searched it. His wife and two children were standing in the doorway; the door was padlocked. We found the two daggers (produced), one concealed in the wall and one under the bed; also two dollars (produced) in an earthenware pillow on the bed. A drawer was broken open by P.C. Butlin, and two rolls of dollars wrapped in paper were taken out. One of the rolls was written in Chinese, "Total weight thirty dollars." While we were searching, the prisoner's wife and children were standing outside, crying and shivering. Tsang King Yau, the son of the deceased, was also standing at the door. When the rolls of dollars were found the Inspector ordered me to show him the money; he then said:—"This is my father's money." At this time, a Chinaman came up to the house and said something to first prisoner's wife; by the Inspector's order I arrested the man and took him to the station. The Inspector took charge of the money; I carried the drawer containing the other articles to the station. Inspector Cameron, P.C. Butlin and myself went to Kowloon City to the Mandarin's Court, and brought the first prisoner to Yow-ma-ti. We were escorted by four of the Mandarin soldiers; a charge of murder and highway robbery was entered against him. On the following morning while standing at the cell in which the first prisoner was detained, he called to me to speak with him and said:—"It was not only myself, there were Li Kat Tse, Li Ut Shan, and Li Ting Yan." Inspector Cameron prevented me from replying to prisoner, when first prisoner made a further statement through the Chinese interpreter at Yow-ma-ti which the Inspector wrote down. First prisoner and the articles in Court were then brought over to Hongkong, and he was charged before the Magistrate that day. The other prisoner who was arrested at Tai Wan was not brought over to Hongkong. I do not know what was done to him.

Tsang King Yau, son of the deceased, was recalled and said:—I was present when the house of the first prisoner was searched and saw the drawer broken open; two rolls of dollars were shewn me; on one of the rolls was written in Chinese, "Total weight thirty dollars." I identified the writing as being that of my father. I know his handwriting; he was in the habit of writing to me about twice a year. I told the lunkong about it.

At this stage the case was remanded till Tuesday, the 5th August, at 11.30 a.m.

## Marine Court.

(Before H. G. Thomsen, Esq., R.N.)

A SECOND MATE IMPRISONED FOR ASSAULT.

John Lambert Randall, second mate of the American ship *John A. Briggs*, was charged with assaulting Peter Rankan, a seaman, on the 29th inst.

Peter Rankan, sworn, declared:—I am a seaman of the *John A. Briggs*. The defendant is the second mate. On Monday last, when I was washing the ship's side, defendant told me to scrape fore and aft and called me a s—n of a b—h. I told him I was not a s—n of a b—h. He was then standing on the gangway, and gave me a kick on the head while I was in the boat. I tried to hit him back with a scraper, but missed him. Defendant came into the boat and tried to take the scraper from me; we both fell in the bottom of the boat. Defendant then took me on deck and put me in irons. A piece of rope was tied to the irons and made fast to the awning-boom. I could not rest my heels on the deck. I rested against the bitts. Defendant came and shifted the rope farther forward so that I could not sit down. This was on the poop. He then got on the poop and swung me about where I was tied up, and struck me on the hand with a block. I called out, and the Captain came; he allowed me to remain there. I was about three quarters of an hour in irons. After about ten minutes the Captain told defendant to let me out of irons; this was at 4 p.m. The next morning, 29th, I asked the Chief Mate to allow me to see the Consul. He refused. He then went into the Captain's cabin; when he came out he put me in irons with my hands behind my back; and lashed me to the wheel. I was there about an hour; this was about 9.30 a.m.; from that I was removed to the booby-hatch and lashed to two ring-bolts; my hands were still in irons behind me. I was there from about 9.30 a.m. till about 2.30 p.m. and had no food during that time. When let out of the irons my hands were much swollen as the irons were too small and very rusty. (Shows marks on his wrists as if of rust or paint.) I then went on shore with the Captain to the American Consul. The Consul asked if I were to be paid off; but, when he found I had no wages due to me, he would not allow me to be paid off. The Consul

and Captain said if I could find a boarding house to take me in, I would get my discharge. I looked for a boarding house, but could not find one. I then came to this office and made my complaint. When I went on board again last night I was put in irons by the Chief Mate. The irons were put on in front of me, and I was lashed to an awning stanchion and kept standing there about three quarters of an hour; this was about 7 p.m. I saw P.C. No. 32 come on board; I was then in irons. Shortly after the constable left I was taken out of irons; went forward, had my supper, and slept on board. This morning I wanted to speak to the Captain; defendant would not let me.

Defendant said: In the main the story you have heard is correct. But when tried up, he was able to stand on his feet. I did not kick him, nor do I admit having swung him as he describes.

Francis Johnson, a seaman of the *John A. Briggs*, gave the following evidence:—I was in the boat on Monday scrubbing the ship's side, and heard the second mate call Rankan a s—n of a b—h, and kick him on the head while he was in the boat. I saw Rankan in irons yesterday forenoon.

Defendant here stated that the blow he had struck was done accidentally.

Francis Johnson recalled, said:—The kick was as if done purposely.

Captain Thomsen animadverted on the brutality of the defendant's conduct, and sentenced him to three months' hard labor.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, July 30, 1879.

SIR,—The letter from Mr. Bellios, which appeared in your columns last evening, suggests many questions in regard to the duties and responsibilities of directors of public companies, which will shortly, I trust, be finally and satisfactorily settled, by the strong and unequivocal expression of a healthy public opinion, and perhaps their solution may be hastened by his implied censure of the disreputable practices of which Mr. Morgan complained at the meeting of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steam-boat Company.

My present purpose, however, is not to discuss these questions, but to express the feeling I entertain, in common with many other people, that Mr. Bellios' statement of facts scarcely covers the whole ground, and is moreover liable to be misunderstood.

I disclaim any right to cross-examine Mr. Bellios in your columns; but as he has thought right to refer to them for the publication of his defence, I trust he will not consider it discourteous if I ask him, through the medium he has himself selected, whether we are to understand that, during the past two years, in Hongkong or elsewhere, he has not purchased directly or indirectly, or accepted any interest in, shares of any of our local companies, of which he is a director; that all his time-sales of Bank shares, for delivery between the months of September 1878 and February 1879, were arranged merely for the purpose of realizing, and that the share certificates were all in his possession, or under his control, previously to the settlement of the contracts; and that, between the dates I have named, he made no sales of Bank shares at over 70 per cent. prem.

Yours,

VINDPX.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 30th July, 1879.

SIR,—Please allow me the use of your columns to inform your numerous readers, that I never bought a Bank share—I mean "hardly ever."

SPEULATOR.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 30th July, 1879.

SIR,—Now that the force of "The Confessional Unmasked" appears to be put in rehearsal, allow me to state that I have both bought and sold Shares "on detail," but I am neither a Director of any company, nor have I ever bought Shares in London, nor elsewhere, by

TELEGRAPH.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

July 30, 1879.

SIR,—On my way down from the Gap this morning, I picked up a piece of paper, which on examination proved to contain the following fragment. As it struck me it might be useful to the Choral Society, I send it to you as the easiest way of putting that tuneless body in possession of what I found.

Yours quaveringly,

CAULKER-ONE.

Nemo. I'm a much wronged man, I am indeed!

Nemines. And a very good Director too!

Nemo. I'm very, very good, I'm very, very good, I never do anything askew.

Nemines. You're very, very good, But be it understood We don't quite agree with you.

Nemo. I'm director of a Bank, But never bull nor bear, Nor ever buy a share; I've never made a sale To cause me turn pale; No I never, never, never bear.

Nemines. What, never?

Nemo. No, never!

Nemines. What, never?

Nemo. Hardly ever!

Nemines. He has never told a "lie;" Then give three cheers, and give cheers three.

Nemo. For our great Paragon of Honesty. I've done my best to realize my shares.

Nemines. Would with that you'd been content!

Nemo. You're somewhat sceptical, But I scarcely think you all, Can doubt my plain statement.

Nemines. We're somewhat sceptical, And we scarcely think we all Your remarks can implement. Sugar time sales, nor Banks!

Nemo. I never tried such pranks, Whatever men may say; Though, "bother it," I may Occasionally have Sold short. Awel! I'll no say say.

Nemines. What, you, Sir?

Nemo. Well, sometimes!

Nemines. Not you, Sir?

Nemo. Hardly ever!

Nemines. Hardly ever bought a share, one share.

Nemo. Then give three cheers, and three cheers more.

Nemines. For our great Paragon of Honesty.

## China.

SHANGHAI.

(News.)

Between two and three o'clock on Monday afternoon a Chinaman fell down in the Fokien Road, and died almost immediately, his death being attributed to the intense heat. The Tao of the district took charge of the body.

Mr. J. McLeavy Brown took over charge of the Customs House at this port yesterday (24th), *pro tem*.

We hear that the steamer *Bonary* while coming up the river on Tuesday, collided with a junk off Gong's Island. The junk, as usual, is said to have attempted to cross the steamer's bow. The junk was run aground to save her sinking in deep water.

Many of our readers will regret to learn the decease of the Emeu, which for some time has ornamented the British Consular compound. He was apparently in his usual health on Saturday morning, but about noon was found dead, close to the fence of Pustaw's compound. A *post mortem* was held on his body, and his skin is now in process of preparation for the Museum.

An alarming accident occurred last evening (24th) in the Settlement, but was happily unattended with serious results. Between six and seven o'clock the Volunteer Artillery assembled in the Municipal compound, in the Honan Road, to drill. While the coolies were putting two of the ponies into the carriage of one of the brass howitzer guns, the ponies became restive, overpowered the coolies and bolted out of the Compound by the gate leading into the Foochow Road. Here they knocked over a jinrikisa, breaking off the shafts, and with no one to guide or check them, they galloped with the gun down the Foochow Road, turned the corner into the Bund, and continued their wild career down the Bund to the Garden Bridge. The ascent of the bridge was apparently too much for them after their hot and dangerous charge, and here they were secured. The rattle of the gun carriage on the hard road, and the clatter of the ponies' feet, gave persons in the streets timely warning of their approach, and we hear of only one person being injured, a Chinaman who was knocked down in the Foochow Road, who was removed to the Hospital. The Artillery were not disappointed so far as exercise was concerned, for they chased the runaways down the Bund with an earnestness that showed they could expeditiously perform a "strategical movement to the rear."

They found that the gun carriage had been damaged to such an extent that it was deemed advisable to remove the ponies from the shafts, and drag their disabled gun back to the Municipal godown.

The translations from the *Peking Gazette* of the 16th and 17th June, respecting the grave question of the true Imperial succession are worth more than passing attention, but, at the same time, the meaning evidently intended by the writers is so clearly expressed that comment would be superfluous. Still, it is not overstepping the bounds of probability to say there is palpable indication of fraud somewhere, and who so likely to be the active agents in a bold stroke for power as the two astute, restless women who, under the style of Empresses Regent, seem determined to do all they can to perpetuate an utterly exhausted system of Government which it would be better for all classes in the Empire to at once consign to the limbo of departed decrepitude and uselessness.

However, the translations speak so fully for themselves that it is only necessary here to say further that the purport of the general memorial is to the effect that it has not been the custom during the present dynasty for the Emperor openly to nominate an heir apparent; and, in making a request for the nomination of an heir to the Throne, Wu K'o-tu has displayed his ignorance of the rules of the Imperial House. The memorialists are therefore of opinion that his memorial need not be taken into consideration; and so it may be safely assumed that if Wu K'o-tu had been a sensible man he would not have committed suicide. The Philistines, after all, have proved too strong for him.

(Courier.)

We learn that Mr. George Phillips, British Consul at Kiukiang, goes home shortly; and that Mr. B. C. G. Scott, first Assistant at the Legation at Peking, takes his place.

Our musical friends and the community at large will regret to learn that our old fellow resident, Mr. H. A. Knop, who used to favor us with his violin solos, committed suicide while at home in Germany by shooting himself.

Among the movements in the Customs service, we note that Mr. Kleinwachter has taken charge of the Customs at Chinkiang, while Mr. J. Twinn of that port has been transferred to the Statistical Department here. Mr. J. H. Hart leaves to-morrow morning for Peking, and Mr. J. McLeavy Brown will not for him during his absence in Shanghai. Mr. R. E. Bredon goes shortly to America on leave.

CHEFOO.

21st July.

Our correspondent writes that, in consequence of the cholera fright in Japan, "great expectations" are formed of a successful season in the "Queen of Chinese watering-places."

H.M. gunboat *Swinger*, which had started for Newchwang a day or two before, returned to port on the 17th, with the C.M. steamer *Yehsin* in tow. The *Yehsin* had broken her shaft, and was picked up at sea under sail about 100 miles from Chefoo, after signalling the gunboat for assistance. The weather was slightly squally as the two vessels were coming into port, but luckily no accident happened. A boat's crew of the *Yehsin*, which had been sent out to seek help, was brought in by a fishing boat during the small hours of Friday morning. The *Yehsin* was bound from Newchwang to Amoy or Swatow, with a cargo of peas and bean-cake. She left for Shanghai, in tow of the *Yungching*, on the 20th instant. The question of the amount of salvage due to the *Swinger* has, it is believed, been referred to H.M. Consul.

The *Condor* has at last arrived, and will be ready for "sale, freight, or charter," as soon as her sticks and gear are readjusted. The thanks of the owner or owners are due to the Commissioner of Customs, by whose courtesy the use of the steam launch was obtained on three occasions.

The *Androchilos*, from Newchwang for the south, has put in at Chefoo, having been in collision with a junk outside. She is so badly damaged that she will have to discharge cargo and undergo repairs before proceeding on her voyage.

We have had very little else than rainy weather for the last month, and during the

last fortnight almost every day has brought more or less rain in very heavy and prolonged showers, sometimes accompanied by lightning and thunder. The rivers or water courses in the neighbourhood are so swollen as to seriously interfere with traffic on the roads to the interior.

The only day, so far, remarkable for its heat was Wednesday, the 16th, when the thermometer registered somewhere about 90° in the shade and 130° odd in the sun. That day no rain fell, but the southerly wind, heavily laden with moisture caused by evaporation, rendered the air very oppressive. Towards the evening a nice cool breeze set in. Now, more settled weather seems likely to continue.—N. C. D. News.

## COMMERCIAL.

Messrs. HAINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Mail, of Tuesday, 29th July, says:—

There is hardly any alteration in the Freight market since issue of last Circular, and, though arrivals have been few, no improvement is noticed in Home or Coast freights.

Homewards, demand has been very limited, as there is very little inquiry from China Ports, and from the Philippines only one settlement is reported.

Coastwise, a fair amount of business has been done for small vessels to the Northern ports, but, though the number of suitable tonnage has been reduced considerably, freights have not improved on last quotations; for steam is there is hardly any offering from the Rice ports, and rates are almost stationary.

The American ship *Vigilant*, 1,800 tons, has taken the berth for San Francisco, loading at current rates. The British ship *G. C. Trufant*, 1,529 tons, left for San Francisco "seeking;" the British barque *John C. Munro*, 612 tons, proceeds to Portland (Oregon) under orders from home; the British schooner *Candace*, 263 tons, and the British barque *Wandering Minstrel*, 361 tons, proceed to Foochow under charter from there to the Colonies effected elsewhere; the British barque *N. Merryman*, 595 tons, left for Koté (Horneo) "seeking;" the British barque *Charity*, 432 tons, proceeds to Cebu under orders from home; the German barque *Vanguard*, 332 tons, proceeds to Manila under charter effected there.

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 14 vessels, registering, 10,637 tons, steamers not included.

The following are the settlements:—British barque *Edward Barrow*, 958, to Hamburg, private.

American 3-m. schooner *Wm. Phillips*, 692, to New York, private.

American barque *A. C. Dickmann*, 501, to Honolulu, private.

German barque *Taiwan*, 378, Foochow to Capetown and Port Elizabeth, £3 5s. 0d. per ton, of 50 c. ft., 30 day days.



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Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 31st July. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, July 24, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE,

ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAHIA, PORT

SAID, NAPLES, AND

MARSEILLES;

Also,

BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND

PORT LOUIS.

ON TUESDAY, the 5th August, 1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *AMAZON*, Commandant LORMIER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcel until 3 p.m. on the 4th August, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, July 23, 1879.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING

AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 14th August. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 4, 1879.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A NINTH RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TAELS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 9th July, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 16th July, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, July 1, 1879.

## Intimations

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

### NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED, payable at our Office on and after the 15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879.

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Apply to SHARP & DANBY,

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INSURANCES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

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INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premia for LIFE Insurance in China.

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Hongkong, June 2, 1879.

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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Kinks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTREE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant insurances at current rates.

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Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF

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Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000

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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant insurances as follows:—

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Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

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JAS. B. COUGHTREE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant insurances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office. 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section. 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name. Captain. Flag and Reg. Tons. Date of Arrival. Consignees or Agents. Destination. Remarks.

Steamers

Albion 6 h Beesley Brit. yacht 33 July 24 Japan

Atalanta 1 h Petersen Ger. str. 782 July 30 Meyer & Co. Yokohama To-day

Bellona 7 h Ahrens Ger. str. 789 July 22 Butterfield & Swire Yokohama To-day

Bombay 2 h Langer Ger. str. 740 Feb. 12 Kwok Achong Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

Cassandra 4 h Langer Ger. str. 937 July 27 Slemssen & Co. Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

Celtic Monarch 5 h Wawn Brit. str. 1307 July 27 Melchers & Co. Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

City of Tokio 5 h Mawry Amer. str. 5079 July 29 P. M. S. S. Co. Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

Clan Alpine 3 h Rule Brit. str. 1350 July 29 Birley & Co. Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

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Kiungchow 2 h Goggin Brit. str. 365 May 27 Kwok Achong Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

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Norna 5 h Love Brit. str. 606 May 31 Kwok Achong Yokohama & Higo 1st prox.

Oceanic 5 h Metcalfe Brit. str. 3707 July 17 O. & O. S. S. Co